

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application are respectfully requested. Claims 2-13, 16-20 and 22-25 are now pending, wherein claims 14 and 15 are canceled and claims 24 and 25 are new. Support for new claims 24 and 25 can be found in the present application at least at page 8, lines 21-25.

Claims 2-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,130,726 to Darbee et al. ("Darbee"). This ground of rejection is respectfully traversed.

Darbee does not anticipate Applicant's claim 2 because Darbee does not disclose that the "access destination storage means for storing the identification code of said remote controller device and the access destination in a one-to-one correspondence."

Darbee discloses a remote control that includes a display for outputting a program guide. The Office Action cites column 10, lines 12-46 of Darbee for the disclosure of storing an identification code of a remote controller device and an access destination in a one-to-one correspondence. This section discloses the remote control unit transmitting a serial number, address or user identification data to an associated set-top converter box and that the serial number, address or user identification data is maintained within the memory of the remote

control unit to filter or parse data. (Col. 10, lines 26-29 and lines 38-43). This section also discloses that the remote control unit can store an internet address or URL designation stamp. (Col. 10, lines 15-23). This section, however, includes no disclosure of “storing the identification code of said remote controller device and the access destination in a one-to-one correspondence” as recited in Applicant’s claim 2. (emphasis added).

Because Darbee does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant’s claim 2, Darbee cannot anticipate this claim. Claims 3, 7-13, 16 and 17 variously depend from Applicant’s claim 2, and are, therefore, not anticipated by Darbee for at least those reasons stated above with regard to claim 2.

Moreover, Darbee does not disclose that the “access destination storage means serves as means for storing a mail address as the access destination” as recited in Applicant’s claim 3. The Office Action cites column 10, lines 12-46 of Darbee for an anticipating disclosure of this claim. This section, however, does not even mention a mail address, and accordingly, this cited section cannot include an anticipating disclosure of claim 3.

Darbee does not anticipate Applicant’s claim 6 because Darbee does not disclose a remote controller device that “includes display disabling means for, when the information sent from said main device to said display means is not appended with its own identification code, disabling display of the information.”

The Office Action relies upon column 10, lines 12-46 of Darbee for the disclosure of this element of Applicant's claim 6. This section, however, does not disclose a remote controller device with "display disabling means." Accordingly, this section cannot include an anticipating disclosure for this element of Applicant's claim 6. If this ground of rejection is maintained, Applicant respectfully requests that the next Office Action include an explanation of how the cited section of Darbee discloses a display disabling means.

Because Darbee does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant's claim 6, Darbee cannot anticipate Applicant's claim 6. Claims 4, 5 and 18-20 variously depend from Applicant's claim 6, and are, therefore, not anticipated by Darbee for at least those reasons stated above with regard to claim 6.

For at least those reasons stated above, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 2-20 as being anticipated by Darbee be withdrawn.

Claims 22 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious in view of the combination of Darbee and U.S. Patent No. 6,266,664 to Russell-Falla et al. ("Russell-Falla"). This ground of rejection is respectfully traversed.

The combination of Darbee and Russell-Falla does not render Applicant's claim 22 obvious because the combination does not disclose or suggest that a displaying switching signal is received by a main device from a portable remote

controller device and that a “determination of whether an output to the display device coupled to the main device is allowed is based on the stored setting.”

The Office Action acknowledges that Darbee does not disclose these features of Applicant’s claim 22, and instead relies upon Russell-Falla. Russell-Falla discloses a method for screening access to web pages containing harmful or offensive content. (Abstract). Russell-Falla, however, does not disclose or suggest a main device and a portable remote controller device, and accordingly, cannot disclose or suggest that a displaying switching signal is received by a main device from a portable remote controller device and that a “determination of whether an output to the display device coupled to the main device is allowed is based on the stored setting.”

It appears that the rejection of claim 22 is based upon an incorporation of the content filtering of Russell-Falla into the system of Darbee. This incorporation, however, would not result in the method recited in Applicant’s claim 22. At most this combination would result in content that is displayable on the remote control unit of Darbee being filtered for harmful or offensive content. There is still no disclosure or suggestion that a display switching signal is received by a main device from a portable remote controller device as recited in Applicant’s claim 22.

Because the combination of Darbee and Russell-Falla does not disclose or suggest all of the elements of Applicant's claim 22, the combination cannot render this claim obvious.

The combination of Darbee and Russell-Falla does not render Applicant's claim 23 obvious because the combination does not disclose or suggest a main device that stores a display switching signal received from another portable remote controller device. Accordingly, the combination cannot render Applicant's claim 23 obvious.

For at least those reasons stated above, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 22 and 23 as being obvious in view of the combination of Darbee and Russell-Falla be withdrawn.

New claims 24 and 25 respectively depend from claims 23 and 6. Accordingly, these new claims are patentably distinguishable over the current grounds of rejection for at least those reasons set forth above in connection with claims 23 and 6.

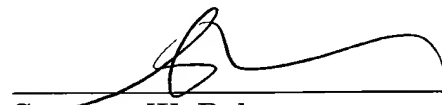
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

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If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #038849.49341).

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